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"Site or facility" is a broad term which includes approved facilities and non-approved facilities, as well as any other site which is currently used or was used in the past for the purpose of solid or hazardous waste disposal, whether the disposal was legal or illegal.

"Tonnage fee" is the annual fee, calculated in cents per ton of material disposed at the facility, which a solid or hazardous waste disposal facility pays into the waste management fund. The facility only pays the amount by which the tonnage fee exceeds the base fee.

"Base fee" is the annual fee, in a fixed dollar amount, which a solid or hazardous waste disposal facility pays into the waste management fund or the environmental repair fund.

A. AMENDMENTS TO THE WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND

The waste management fund was originally used as a source of revenue for the state's responsibility for long-term care of approved facilities. It also was used to pay for remedial action if the environmental consequences of an occurrence at an approved facility are not anticipated in the plan of operation and pose a substantial hazard to public health or welfare.

The waste management fund is amended by Act 410 so that it is no longer used as a source of revenue to pay for "unanticipated occurrences" at approved facilities. Any environmental repair which is necessary at an approved facility is covered by the newly-created environmental repair fund. As a result of this amendment, the waste management fund will be used as a source of revenue only for the state's responsibility for long-term care of approved facilities after the termination of the owner's 20- or 30-year responsibility for long-term care.

Approved facilities will continue to pay the base fee and the tonnage fee into the waste management fund. The dollar amounts of the tonnage fees established under s. 144.441, Stats., are not changed.

The base fee for nonapproved facilities will be paid into the environmental repair fund instead of the waste management fund. A nonapproved facility will continue to pay tonnage fees into the waste management fund.

B. FUNDING AND POSITION AUTHORIZATION

Act 410 creates a new environmental repair fund. Revenues from several sources are paid into the environmental repair fund and moneys are paid out of the environmental repair fund for remedial action at all types of sites or facilities.

On the effective date of Act 410 (May 11, 1984), the existing funds for hazardous substances spills and abandoned containers are transferred to the environmental repair fund. A separate appropriation is provided within the environmental repair fund for expenditures for each of these purposes.

Under the Act, a total of \$554,600 is transferred from the groundwater fund